



Focal Point

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New Sign Ordinance Takes Effect

Civic signs no longer allowed in right-of-ways

Rules for posting signs in and throughout the City of Frisco have changed. Beginning October 27, the City of Frisco will begin enforcing its recently amended Sign Ordinance.

Civic signs are no longer allowed in right of ways throughout the City of Frisco. Other significant changes to the ordinance impact the placement of garage sale

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The months of November and December will bring many events that will be fun for the whole family. These are the times when we are proud to say we continue to provide programs and events which keep our small town feel. You will also see us continue to use the City Hall Plaza in front of our George A. Purefoy Municipal Center for these events, which was part of the plan when this whole complex was designed.

We just completed two successful events that show the versatility of our plaza area. The Great Steak of Texas utilized the whole plaza plus other areas

New Frisco Police Station Opens



PHOTO BY ARSON GDB

The Frisco Police Department relocated to its new police station at 7200 Stonebrook Parkway. The station, paid for with \$16 million in bonds approved in 2002, opened on Oct. 30. For more Police Station photos, see the back side of this issue.

A Fun Season for All

Mayor's Message



Mike Simpson

of Frisco Square. It included everything from a cattle drive, concerts, art displays and a steak cook-off. Everyone seemed to like the venue and had it not been for some unseasonably hot weather, our attendance would have been much

greater. Then on the weekend of October 20-21, our Frisco Public Library Foundation, in conjunction with our Frisco Public Library, held one of its most successful Story Telling Festivals. The three year old event played to sold out evening sessions on Friday and Saturday. The six nationally acclaimed storytellers kept families entertained and received standing ovations. On Friday afternoon thousands of FUSD 4th and 6th graders had the opportunity to see the story tellers and on Saturday afternoon our local student storytellers joined the professional storytellers for a

day of fun. If you didn't get to this festival you missed something special and need to plan to attend next year. The City Hall Plaza was a bee hive of activity.

Next up will be The Frisco Community Parade on Saturday, Nov. 11. Each year Frisco residents look forward to the Homecoming Parade. It became a tradition that filled our historic downtown Frisco with thousands of parade watchers and participants. Now that we have four high schools, different parades are impossible.

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town Frisco with thousands of parade watchers and participants. Now that we have four high schools, different homecoming parades are impossible. Representatives of the FUSD, City and Chamber of Commerce met last year and we decided a community parade would be the best answer to keep the tradition going. We will have a parade that features all four high schools, four bands and drill teams as well as entries from local businesses and organizations. The theme will be a " Salute to the Troops ", as it is Veterans Day and our Grand Marshal will be Brig. General Mike Cates -- a former Frisco High School graduate whose parents still live in Frisco. We will have participants from the active and veteran military, a fly over of three airplanes and military vehicles. Add to this a group of antique cars and there is something for everyone. The route will start at Pizza Hut Park and travel east on Main to North County Road. Get more information by going to www.friscoparade.com.

The MLS Cup returns to Frisco on Sunday, November 12. We are very fortunate to be able to host the MLS Cup a second straight year. The success of last year's MLS Cup and the great weather helped FC Dallas and Pizza Hut Park win the bid for back-to-back MLS Cup National Championships. This is a great opportunity for Frisco citizens, fans and businesses to enjoy this nationally televised event. It will gain even more recognition for Frisco, Pizza Hut Park, FC Dallas and Hunt Sports Group. We hope our FC Dallas team will be in the MLS Cup. Take advantage of this event being in Frisco and support our team

and Pizza Hut Park by going to the game.

The 16th Annual Merry Main Street program will be held on December 2 at the City Hall Plaza. In addition to having the Main Street tree lighting ceremony, there will be the traditional train rides, Santa's workshop, the musical programs by our school choirs, reindeer, arts and crafts and the famous Gingerbread House building contest. There will also be some exciting new events that will take place in Frisco Square involving special light shows, holiday moves and holiday characters. We will also keep the old downtown area decorated with lights, wreaths, a tree by the gazebo and activities that will make sure we tie the old downtown area to our Frisco Square and City Hall Plaza activities. This will be a holiday season to remember. Keep watching our Focal Point Newsletter, the cable channel programs and special press releases from the Communications Department about the Parks and Recreation programs.

December 9 will be another fun Saturday in Frisco. We will have the Santa Skate program at the Dr. Pepper Stars Center with families being able to go skating with Santa. You will be able to rent skates, have food and drink all at a very reasonable price per family of \$25 (up to five people) or pay \$7 per individual. Earlier that day there will be a Frisco Frosty 5K race or 1 mile walk that will start at the George A. Purefoy Municipal Center. There will be lots of family fun and activities all through November and December at our new City Hall Plaza area.

This season, we will also celebrate the grand openings of our new Police Station

and Central Fire Station. These two projects were approved by our voters in the September 2002 Bond Election and are now coming to fruition. These much needed facilities will enable our highly regarded police and fire departments to continue to provide the best in public safety for our citizens and will give us even greater capabilities and service response. The Frisco Safety Town, which will be a unique safety training miniature village next to our Central Fire Station, will be open in late December or early January. This village will provide our young students with programs that will teach them road, fire and internet safety along with numerous other safety programs in a real world environment, where they actually drive cars, ride bikes and maneuver through a miniature village.

As we approach the Thanksgiving Season in late November, let us count our blessings for all which we can be thankful. Let us help organizations such as the Frisco Family Services Center, Churches and other places of worship, as well as civic organizations as they provide food, clothing and gifts for families in need over the Thanksgiving, Christmas and holiday seasons. Let our thoughts and prayers be with those serving in our military, as well as their families.

I hope you and your family have a happy Thanksgiving holiday and that you are able to share this time with family and friends.

Sincerely,

Mike Simpson
Mayor

City of Frisco

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FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

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| ■ Construction Technician | ■ Police Officer |
| ■ Customer Service Representative | ■ Recreation Aide-Senior Center |
| ■ Library Technician (Part Time) | ■ Senior Engineer |
| ■ Municipal Court Administrator | ■ Senior Environmental Engineer |
| | ■ Senior Planner |
| | ■ Traffic Engineer |

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FAX: (972) 292-5229

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www.FriscoTexas.gov

EOE

Frisco Library Storytimes Require Free Ticket

Storytimes for babies, toddlers and preschoolers are one of the top things to do at the Frisco Public Library since it opened Sept. 20 in the George A. Purefoy Municipal Center.

In order to provide a safe and comfortable atmosphere for citizens, free tickets will be required to attend Storytimes starting on Oct. 31. The tickets are available on a first come, first served basis on the second floor of the Frisco Public Library on Tuesday and Friday, the days of programs.

"The reason for the tickets is to provide a safe environment for those attending the story-

times," said Shelley Holly, Youth Services Librarian. "During the first week we opened, more than 500 people showed up each day for storytimes. The fire marshal recommends 145 participants per session, so this is just a comfortable atmosphere for citizens."

The Frisco Public Library holds three storytimes based on age: Tuesdays and Fridays, Storytimes include: Babies & Books Storytimes at 10 a.m., Toddler & Preschool Storytimes at 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

For more information on Storytimes call 972-292-5669 or visit www.friscolibrary.com.

CATCH THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT AT

MERRY MAIN STREET

December 2
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

City Hall Plaza

Activities include:

Ice Sculptor

Kid's Holiday Store

Gingerbread House Contest

Carolers

Holiday Music

Festival of Trees

Santa Photos

Live Reindeer

Food

Santa's Workshop

Holiday Train Rides



For information, contact Ashley Blanchard, 972-335-5517
or ablanchard@friscotexas.gov.

Gingerbread House Contest

Join this yearly event when Santa takes a break from his North Pole duties to judge the Gingerbread House Contest. Competitors of every age are encouraged to enter. Entries will be displayed Nov. 28 to Dec. 2 at Frisco Square.

See the Rules and Information Packet at www.frisco.txn.org.

Santa Skate

December 9

Dr Pepper Star Center, 2601 Avenue of the Stars

6:30 - 9 p.m.

Santa Skate Tickets are on sale now at the Alumni Hall Fitness Center or online at www.frisco.txn.org. Tickets are \$25 per family (limit 5) or \$7 for individuals and include skate rental, hot dog, chips and drink. Tickets are limited and will not be sold at the door.

Sign Up to be a Merry Main Street Vendor

Kick off your holiday season by becoming a vendor at the City of Frisco's Merry Main Street celebration.

Applications are now being accepted for non-profit organizations and for-profit food vendors that want to participate in this family favorite event. Applications are due by Friday, November 10 at 5 p.m.

The 16th annual event will be held December 2 and is moving to City Hall Plaza, in the heart of Frisco Square, 6101 Frisco Square Blvd.

"In years past, this event has attracted as many as 10,000 people! By inviting for-profit food vendors to participate, we hope to provide citizens a greater variety of food to choose from," said McCollum.

The charges to reserve a 10 x 10 booth space ranges from \$30 to \$250 and is based on electrical needs and whether the organization is for profit or non profit. The reservation fee also covers the cost of one table, two chairs, skirting, signage and one parking pass.

"Though we've added a fee, we hope vendors will like the convenience of not having to truck in their own tables, chairs

and generators. We also think by giving vendors access to electricity, it will be easier for them to dress their booths in lights. The colored skirting will also help things look festive," said McCollum.

Booth space is limited to 30 vendors. An event committee will select vendors on a first come, first serve basis providing the applicant meets all the rules. Completion of the application does not guarantee booth space.

"We hope the changes we've made will make the event more enjoyable for everyone," said McCollum. "The scope of the event is broader - but it's still the same family favorite event we've enjoyed as a community for 16 years."

To download an application, go to www.frisco.txn.org. Look for Communication, then click on "Special Events", check out www.frisco.txn.org and find the application link on the home page. Applications must be submitted to Parks & Recreation, 6726 Walnut Street, Frisco, TX, 75034. For more details or questions about the event contact 972.335.5517.

16th Annual Merry Main Street to Feature New "Festival of Trees"

Help deck the halls of the Senior Center at Frisco Square by trimming a tree! Participate in "Festival of Trees" - a new addition to the 16th annual Merry Main Street celebration to be held on Dec. 2.

The Frisco Senior Adult Center Advisory Council, a non-profit organization, is inviting citizens of all ages to decorate Christmas trees, which will be displayed at a silent auction. Participants are asked to donate decorations.

Fifteen artificial, 3 ft. trees are ready to be decorated and can be picked up at the Senior Center at Frisco Square, 6670 Moore Street. A \$20 deposit will be required at the time of pickup and refunded when the trees are returned decorated.

The deadline to return decorated trees is November 27, between noon and 7 p.m. at the vacant store front on 6100 block of Frisco Square, next to Bella Cosa. Auction proceeds from the trees will be used to purchase equipment and supplies for the Phase II addition of the Senior Center at Frisco Square, which is currently under construction.

"We're so grateful volunteers approved bond monies to build the Phase II addition to the center," said Judy Florence, Senior Center Supervisor. "But we'll still need some help filling the additional space with the equipment and supplies we need to serve our growing senior population."

Some of the items the Frisco Senior Adult Center Advisory Council plans to purchase with event proceeds include a portable stage, table coverings, exercise equipment, blinds, ceiling fans and a ceramic kiln and supplies.

"We plan to make the Festival of Trees a regular feature of Merry Main Street," said Florence. "We hope folks will help us raise funds for the Senior Center and have fun helping us make Merry Main Street more festive than ever!"

The Festival of Trees will be displayed alongside the entries in the City of Frisco's Annual Gingerbread House Contest. Trees will be available for viewing and bidding between November 10 and Dec. 2. For more information on the Festival of Trees, call 972-335-5515 or lflorence@friscotexas.gov

Hometown Happenings

All meetings take place at the George A. Purefoy Municipal Center, 6101 Frisco Square Blvd., unless otherwise stated.

November 6 Monday

Public Art Board
6101 Frisco Square
6:30 p.m.

November 7 Tuesday

City Council Meeting
Council Chambers
6101 Frisco Square
5:30 p.m.

November 11 Saturday

Frisco Community
Parade
10 a.m.
Starts at Pizza Hut
Park, Heads East on
Main

November 13 Monday

Frisco Square MMWD
4:30 p.m.
6101 Frisco Square
3rd Floor conf Rm 3A

November 21 Tuesday

City Council Meeting
Council Chambers
6101 Frisco Square
5:30 p.m.

November 22 Wednesday

Arts of Collin County
(ACC)
City of Allen
4 p.m.

Urban Forestry Board
6726 Walnut Street
6:30 pm

Holiday Safety Tips From the Frisco Police Department

Tax Assessor Collector Makes New City Hall Home

■ Use good judgment.
Many people are caught up in the excitement of the holiday season and forget to use good judgment. Discuss the 3 S's of the holidays. Safe driving, safe shopping and safe homes.

■ Designate a driver, don't drink and drive!

Parties sometimes over-indulge in the "holiday spirit." If you are attending a party, designate a driver or know whom to call to come pick you up. If you are hosting a party, consider serving alternatives to alcoholic beverages. If you're on the road, and see a possible drunk driver, call 911.

■ Be aware of your surroundings and remain alert.

Avoid shopping alone when possible. Use the buddy system. When walking in your car have your keys ready in your hand if you are shopping late, don't be embarrassed to ask a store clerk or security guard to walk you to

your car. Put packages in the trunk when you will be continuing to shop. Once in your car, lock you're doors immediately! If you have a cell phone, call a family member to let them know you are on your way home. Report any suspicious activity to the police immediately.

■ Don't be followed home.

Remember to lock your doors. Vary your daily routine. Check your rear view mirrors before turning into an alley or driveway. Pull into your garage and wait until the garage door is completely closed. If followed, call 911 from a well-lit, populated area. When leaving your house, make certain all doors and windows are locked and the drapes/blinds are closed. Leave a few lights on and a television or radio. Keep your hedges trimmed, and keep in touch with your neighbors.

For more information, please contact the Frisco Police Department Community Services Division at 972-292-6144.

Home Heating & Fire Place Safety Tips

It's not a coincidence the number of structure fires rise as the temperatures outside go down. To protect yourself and your family, review these safety tips and take any necessary action before the temperatures require you to heat your home. Here are some necessary precautions to take:

- Keep things that burn at least 3 feet away from heating equipment.
- Use fireplaces, woodstoves, heaters and furnaces properly and carefully with good maintenance.
- Inspect chimneys once a year and get them cleaned or repaired if needed.
- Closely watch children and pets in rooms with heating equipment, and keep them safely away.
- Turn off portable space heaters when you get ready to sleep or if you leave the room.
- Never use a stove or oven as a source of heat for the home.

Home fireplaces are common features throughout many homes within the community and offer a warm glow and cozy ambience on cold nights. However, some thought must be given to the condition of fireplaces and chimneys before lighting those winter fires or such

A new Tax Assessor-Collector Office is now located on the second floor of the George A. Purefoy Municipal Center to better accommodate residents in the fast-growing city.

"I don't think Collin County residents should have to drive more than 20 minutes to get to a tax office," said Collin County Tax Assessor-Collector Ken Maun. "This

office will eliminate the need for Frisco area residents to drive to McKinney or Plano to conduct recurring county business."

The Tax Assessor-Collector Office provides services such as registration renewal, title

transfers, new resident registration and the collection of property taxes. A four-person staff is housed in Suite 2000. The office is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. It will also be open an additional two hours on Wednesdays until 7 p.m. The phone number is 469-362-5800.

Additional tax-assessor collector offices include:

- Collin County Tax Assessor and Collector, McKinney Office
- University Drive Courts Facility 1800 N. Graves St. McKinney, TX 75069

enjoyment may be short lived.

Fireplaces are designed to safely contain wood or other solid-fueled fires, while the chimney expels the by-products of combustion. As the by-products rise, they flow up into relatively cooler air where condensation may occur and residue sticks to the inner walls of the chimney. The residue, called creosote, is black or brown in appearance and takes many forms ranging from crusty and flaky to tar-like and sticky to glossy and hardened. Creosote is highly combustible and may start a chimney fire if left to build up sufficiently leading to extensive structural damage, injuries, and even loss of life.

The following suggestions are offered to cut down the risk of chimney fires:

- Use well seasoned woods only.
- Build smaller, hotter fires, which burn more completely and produce less smoke.
- Never burn cardboard boxes, wrapping paper, trash, or Christmas trees that may spark a chimney fire.
- Inspect and clean chimneys, fireplaces and related equipment professionally on a regular basis.

Got Junk?

It's time to give back to your community at the "Chuck Your Junk" event on Nov. 18 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

"The Environmental Services Division will gladly take items just taking up space at this Saturday event," said Jeremy Stratt, Environmental Education Coordinator.

Residents must drop off their items at Frisco Public Work located at 11300 Research Road.

For directions to the facility call 972-292-5900 or visit the Web site at www.frisco-texas.gov

- Items wanted for safe disposal, recycling or donation are as follows:
- Appliances
- Brush
- Batteries
- Carpet
- Cell phones
- Computers
- Exercise equipment

- Fax machines
- Fencing
- Furniture
- Household Hazardous Waste
- Metal
- Pliers
- Tree Limbs
- Old clothes
- Other items for charity
- Refrigerators and freezers must be tagged Freon free.
- Computer
- AA, AAA, B, C, D, 9 volt, etc.

■ Paints, pesticides and solvents.

At the April "Chuck Your Junk" event, a total of 318 cars came through the facility held in conjunction with the "Clean It and Green It."

"More than 20 tons of donated items was collected," said Pippa Couvillion, Environmental Services Manager. More than 80 cars an hour

brought in two 10-ton truckloads of donated items, said Couvillion.

"This is total of 20 tons of donated items, which is amazing," Couvillion said.

Also collected were seven pallets of computers and monitors, two 30-yard containers of wood, two 30-yard containers of metal, one of cardboard and four 30-yard containers of trash. A total of 126 people brought in paint, which was the majority of what was collected.

Also on Nov. 18, the Environmental Services Division will offer "Truckload Sale of colored wood mulch, including red, brown and black. A 2 cubic-foot bag will be \$2.25.

The mulch was collected from Frisco's Green Building Site and recycled into colored mulch by Consolidated Construction Recycling Services.

Thanksgiving Trash Schedule

No trash or recycling services will be provided on Thursday, Nov. 24. Thursday's pick up will be provided on Friday, Nov. 25. Friday will move to Saturday.

Rufus Around Town



The Parish Family help celebrate the "Clothe a Child" event at Kohl's Department Store on Sept. 30.

Rufus and Girl Scout Troop 360 keep the morale high at the Frisco "Clothe a Child" event.

The votes have been tallied and a name has been decided in "Environmental Services' "Name the Truck" Contest. But the suspense is not over. The winning name will be announced on Texas Recycles Day on Nov. 15

Load Up Your Batteries & Win

The City of Frisco and the Frisco Independent School District will celebrate Texas Recycles Day with a battery recycling contest Oct. 14 through Nov. 11.

Each F.I.S.D. school will participate in the contest to see which school collects the most alkaline dry-cell batteries (AA, AAA, B, C, D) and Lithium 9

vols. "I don't think many people know that batteries are recyclable, but we are hoping to teach kids that they are," said Jeremy Stratt, Frisco's Environmental Education Coordinator.

The loads collected at each Nov. 18,

school will be weighed on Nov. 11, and the winning school will hold a small celebration on Nov. 15 for Texas Recycles Day.

Also on this day, the Environmental Services Division will announce the winner of its citywide "Name the Truck" contest.

The battery recycling contest is sponsored by the City of Frisco and is designed to teach students about the importance of protecting the environment. The event also serves as an introduction for Frisco families to the city's new battery recycling program beginning on Nov. 18.

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| ■ Civil Engineer | ■ Police Officer |
| ■ Construction Technician | ■ Recreation Aide-Senior Center |
| ■ Library Technician (Part Time) | ■ Seasonal Customer Service Representative-Public Works |
| ■ Maintenance Worker-Parks | ■ Senior Engineer |
| ■ Maintenance Worker-Streets | ■ Senior Environmental Engineer |
| ■ Mechanic I - Parks | ■ Senior Planner |

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Monthly Project Update

1 Stonebrook Parkway (Legacy - Longhorn)

Scope: Construct the northern two lanes of Stonebrook Parkway from Legacy Drive to Longhorn Trail with an underpass at the BNSF RR and a bridge at Stewart Creek. This will complete two lanes of an ultimate six-lane divided roadway and includes three-lane divided roadway, and includes three lanes of the bridge. The bridge will be used for one lane in each direction until the southern lanes are constructed. Est. completion of design is May 2007

2 Independence Parkway (SH121 to Main)

Scope: Construct the western two lanes of Independence Parkway from SH 121 to Rolater and four lanes from Rolater to Main Street. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six-lane divided roadway. Est. completion of construction is September 2007.

3 Main Street, Phase 4 (RR - Preston)

Scope: Reconstruction of Main Street with concrete pavement, curb, and gutter from BNSF Railroad to Preston/SH 289. -Two-lane divided roadway from BNSF Railroad to South County -Four-lane from South County to Preston/SH 289

4 FM 3537 Improvements (Custer-Preston)

Scope: Construct 6 lane divided roadway from FM 2478 (Custer Road) to SH 289 (Preston Road), which will replace the existing two-lane asphalt roadway. This project will be let by TXDOT. Est. completion of design is December 2007

5 FM 423 Improvements (Eldorado - Stewart Creek)

Scope: Replace existing two-lane asphalt roadway with six-lane divided concrete roadway with curb and gutter. Est. completion of design is January 2007

6 FM 2478/FM 3537 Intersection Improvement

Scope: Construction of turn lanes and intersection improvements at FM 2478 and FM 3537. Includes engineering design. Current status is COMPLETE

7 FM 2934/Eldorado Hwy (DNT - FM 423)

Scope: Construct the northern three lanes and the southern three lanes of FM 2934 (Eldorado Parkway) from the Dallas North Tollway to FM 423, which will replace the existing two-lane asphalt roadway. This will complete six lanes of an ultimate six-lane divided roadway with. This project will be let by TXDOT. Current status is TX DOT REVIEW

8 Eldorado Overpass (DNT - Preston)

Scope: Construct the northern two lanes of Eldorado Parkway from the Dallas North

Tollway to

Preston Road (SH 289). This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six-lane divided roadway and includes three lanes of the overpass at the BNSF RR. Landscaping, irrigation, and street lighting are included in this project. Est. completion of design is Feb. 2007

9 Legacy Drive (Citation - Main)

Scope: Construct the eastern two lanes of Legacy Drive from Leighton to Main Street. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six lane divided roadway. Landscaping, irrigation, and street lighting are included in this project. Est. completion of design is November 2006

10 SH 121 Freeway FM 544 to DNT

Scope: Construct 6 main lanes and 6 lanes of frontage roads from FM 544 to Dallas North Tollway. Est. completion of construction is December 2007.

11 SH 121 Freeway DNT to 75

Scope: Construct main lanes on SH 121 from Dallas North Tollway to US 75. Est. completion of design is December 2006

12 SH 121 Service Roads DNT to US 75

Scope: Construct 6 lanes of service roads from the Dallas North Toll Road to US 75. It also includes a grade separation at Custer. Est. completion of construction is June 2006.

13 Lebanon Village - FM 423

Scope: Construct the southern two lanes of Lebanon Road from Village to FM 423 including a three lane bridge at Stewart Creek. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six-lane divided roadway. Current status is ROW



14 Lebanon Road (Legacy - Starwood)

Scope: Construct the southern two lanes of Lebanon Road from Legacy Drive to Starwood Drive. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six-lane divided roadway. Current status is COMPLETE

16 Selected Old Town Streets

Scope: Reconstruction of the following streets to concrete curb and gutter: - First Street (West Main south to Ash) - Hickory (Fifth to Courtyard Dr) - Pecan (Fifth to Seventh) - Sixth (Maple south to Hickory) - Fourth (Main north to Maple) - Third (Main south to Ash) - Third (Oak north to Maple)

17 SH 289

(Preston Road Improvements)

Scope: Construct a six-lane divided roadway from U.S. 380 to Main Street, which will replace the existing two-lane asphalt roadway. This project will be let by TXDOT, which will pay for four lanes. The City of Frisco will pay for the construction

of the two additional lanes. Two million dollars of the City of Frisco's \$4.5 million participation in this project pays for the previous construction of Preston Road

south of Main Street. Est. completion of design is January 2007

18 DNT Phase 3 Section XI-N

Scope: Construction of main lanes of the DNT from Gaylord Parkway to Platinum Parkway. Est. completion of construction is September 2007

19 DNT Phase 3 Section XI-N

Scope: Construction of main lanes of the DNT from north of Eldorado Parkway to US 380. Project also includes construction of the southbound service roads from Eldorado Parkway to US 380. Est. completion of construction is September 2007.

20 DNT Phase 3 Section XI-S

Scope: Construction of main lanes of the DNT from Platinum Parkway to north of Eldorado Parkway. Project also includes construction of the southbound service roads from Main Street to Eldorado Parkway. Est. completion of construction is September 2007.

15,000 Youngsters Enjoy Fire Prevention Week Activities



Ashley Elementary students with the Frisco Fire Clowns & the Safety Show Staff

More than 15,000 Frisco kids enjoyed the spectacular performances by the Frisco Fire Clowns during October's Fire Prevention Month.

The Frisco Fire Clowns performed their outrageously successful Wild, Wild West production featuring safety tips for children regarding stranger awareness, gun safety and

songs and sang them in a karaoke-style to "Ring of Fire," by Johnny Cash.

A huge thanks is owed to all schools that support the Frisco Fire Clowns and allow them to come and present their safety shows year after year. Although done in a tongue-in-cheek fashion for Fire Prevention



Capt. Brian Lynn (aka The Safety Sheriff) & Skwert

the dangers of matches and lighters.

"It is so important for children to learn gun and fire safety," said Fire Education Coordinator Belle Grimes. "To be able learn in a light, fun atmosphere such as with the fire clowns is the best way to read the children in a way they can relate to."

For the first time in history, the Fire Clowns wrote original safety

Month the Frisco Fire Department takes fire and life safety education very seriously," said Grimes. "We will do all that it takes - even sing songs - to provide the children of Frisco with the tools they need to live safely and practice safe behaviors in the city and around fire."

2007 WINTER GAMES of TEXAS TEXAS AMATEUR ATHLETIC FEDERATION

January 13-14, 2007
Registration to open
August 21, 2006
New Sports.
New Celebration of Athletics

EVENT	LOCATION	SITE COORDINATOR
Celebration of Athletics	FRSD Memorial Stadium	Frisco CVB 972-963-9225 info@athletico.com
Baseball	The Ball Fields at Craig Ranch	Kurt Lemley 972/747-8248 klemley@ballfields.com
Basketball	Frisco High School/ Middle School Gyms	Jason Maupin 972-335-3788 jason@primetinesportz.com
Cheerleading	Frisco Conference Center	Chris Harrison 972/731-9888 chrise@cupesscheer.com
Figure Skating	The Ice at Stonebriar Centre	Thomas Fagan/Ann Lewis 972/731-9600 tcfagan@iceatstonebriar.com
Flag Football	Warren Sports Complex	Dennis Freels 817-389-0800 dennis@denfreels.com
Gymnastics	ASI Gymnastics Frisco West Location 972-850-1108	Cindy Parison 972-886-5510 cparison@asigymnastics.com
Ice Hockey	Dr Pepper StarCenter Frisco	Keith Anderson 817-287-4233 kanderson@athletastars.com
Soccer	Pizza Hut Park	Shawn McGee/FC Dallas 214-777-2220 smcgee@fcddallas.net
Softball (Senior slow pitch)	Shawnee Trail Park	Ridge Hooks 214-414-4248 ridge@hmvslp.org.com
Swimming	Frisco ISD Natatorium	Kristie Weaver 972-335-3788 kweaver@ci.weatherford.tx.us
Table Tennis	Staley Middle School	Donna Chen 214-240-5975 dwc@ccbcglobal.net
Volleyball	Frisco Middle School Gyms	Jason Maupin 972-335-3788 jason@primetinesportz.com
Wrestling	Frisco Conference Center	Frisco CVB 972-963-9225 info@vlistofrisco.com

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For more information go to www.taatf.com or call the Visitors Bureau at 877-GoFrisco (4653-7472)



Effective January 1, 2007

Telephone numbers for City of Frisco offices will change to the numbers shown below. Current/told phone numbers will also continue to work for a period of time after January 1. Please make note of the new numbers and begin using them after January 1, 2007.

City of Frisco Office	Address	New Telephone Number
City Hall	6101 Frisco Square Blvd	972-292-5000
City Manager's Office		972-292-5100
City Secretary's Office		972-292-5100
■ Records		972-292-5020
Accounting/Budget/Finance		972-292-5023
Animal Control		972-292-5501
Building Inspections		972-292-5303
■ Inspection call-in line		972-292-5301
Code Enforcement		972-292-5386
Communications and Media Relations		972-292-5302
■ Volunteer Coordinator		972-292-5080
Convention & Visitors Bureau		972-292-5074
Engineering Services		972-963-9225
Economic Development Corporation		972-292-5400
Fire Department Administration		972-668-5550
■ Central Station	8601 Gay Burns Dr	972-292-6300
■ Station #2	3711 Ohio Dr	972-292-6402
■ Station #3	5449 Warren Pkwy.	972-292-6403
■ Station #4	4484 Cotton Gin Rd	972-292-6404
■ Station #5	14300 Eldorado Pkwy	972-292-6405
Health & Food Safety		972-292-5304
Human Resources		972-292-5200
■ Job Line		972-292-5200
Library	6101 Frisco Square Blvd	972-292-JOBS
Municipal Court	8750 McKinney Rd	972-292-5669
Parks & Recreations	6726 Walnut	972-335-5565
■ Parks & Rec Rain Out Line		972-292-6500
■ Recreation & Aquatic Center		972-292-6666
■ Senior Center at Frisco Square		972-292-6600
Planning & Development Services		972-292-6550
■ Planning & Conservation		972-292-5300
■ Zoning & Development		972-292-5305
Police Department	7200 Stonebrook Pkwy	972-292-5306
■ Administration		972-292-6000
■ Crime Prevention		972-292-6100
■ Detention Facility		972-292-6144
■ Investigations Div.		972-292-6001
■ Non-Emergency Dispatch		972-292-6200
■ Property Release		972-292-6010
Property Taxes		972-292-6280
Public Works	11300 Research Rd	469-362-5800
■ Fleet Services		972-292-5800
■ ROW Inspection and Line Locates		972-292-5850
■ Streets/Drainage		972-292-5820
■ Water/Sewer/Meters		972-292-5800
Purchasing		972-292-5800
Revenue Billing & Collections		972-292-5504
Trash and Recycling Services		972-292-5575
		972-292-5900

FREEZE WATER WASTE, STAGE 3 WATER RESTRICTIONS ENFORCED DURING WINTER MONTHS

Although the temperatures are cooling down and the City of Frisco has seen some showers, Stage 3 Water restrictions are still in effect and will be enforced throughout out the winter months and possibly extending through summer 2007.

"Many people

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Director of Public Works

Hartwell, Director of Public Works. "We are just as adamant about enforcing the restrictions now as we were during the summer months."

Last month, the City of Frisco received nearly 5 inches of rain bringing Lake Lavon and Lake Cooper up a little but no where near their normal levels. Lake Lavon remains about 17 feet below normal storage, or 35 percent of capacity.

"Just because it rained a little does not mean we are no longer in a drought because we are," said Hartwell. "Many times people see that it is raining outside and think that is the end of our problems but it isn't. Less water is used during the winter months, but Hartwell said Frisco needs to use even less to prepare for next summer.

"We need to conserve water today to have some for next summer," Hartwell said, "There are many things residents can do to conserve water during these winter months." Many ways to save water include turning the sprinkler systems off when

it is raining outside or when you know it will be raining. Residents can also refrain from watering during the winter months when most plants go dormant and require little if any water for survival. Other tips to reduce water waste during the winter include:

- Avoid scalping turf, which reduces the health of landscapes and increases runoff.
- Avoid over-seeding with Rye or other winter

grasses. Germination requires daily watering.

- Avoid watering during freezing temperatures, which could cause potential ice hazards.
- Use soaker or hand-held hoses instead of sprinklers for foundation moisture.
- Use hand-held hoses or Gatorbags to water trees.
- Schedule a Winter Irrigation Audit to insure appropriate usage.
- Avoid unnecessary watering this winter. With normal winter rain fall, there is no need to use your automatic sprinkler system.

Hartwell encourages residents to reserve a Winter Irrigation Audit with Mike Barth, the city's Irrigation Specialist.

"We encourage water audits even in the winter to reduce water waste," Hartwell said. "The audits are a good prevention and everyone should take advantage."

signs. Open House realtor signs and city special event signs.

A committee made up of residents and local business owners recommended the changes to the Frisco City Council, which approved the Amended Sign Ordinance at its October 17 regularly scheduled meeting.

"The committee wanted to reduce the amount of signage cluttering our street corners and right-of-ways," said Sharon Elliott, Enforcement Supervisor. "Members of the committee complained that too often signs weren't picked up or properly cared for and looked dilapidated. Committee members recommended changes they thought would help Frisco be a clean, neat city," added Elliott.

To review a copy of the City of Frisco's Amended Sign Ordinance, visit http://www.friscotexas.gov/uploadedFiles/Departments/Planning_Development/Ordinances/SIGN_ORDINANCE_081010109_FINAL.pdf

signs are no longer allowed off site.

Civic signs, such as those used by organizations to publicize special events, are no longer allowed; however, the committee established specific requirements for athletic registration and school Signs.

"The committee wanted to require people to place signs closer to where people live versus posting signs on busy thoroughfares," said Elliott.

The rules for posting city-sponsored special event signs have also changed. Government Community Event Signs are now limited to city parks and building sites. Such signs cannot be placed in medians, easements or within the right-of-way of any thoroughfare. The City of Frisco must now get written permission from Homeowners Associations to place city event signs within a residential subdivision.

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You can also find it by going to www.friscotexas.gov. Click on 'Departments', find 'Planning & Development Services' and click on the 'Most Requested Ordinances' icon on the department's home page.

Senior Center Activities

NEW! Enter the Frosty 5K, 1 Mile Run/Walk

The Senior Center at Frisco Square offers a wide variety of programs for adults 50 years and older. The facility features a sunlit library, game room, a state-of-the-art fitness center, a computer room with Internet access, a health room and classroom. Between the friendly ambience of the Center, the welcoming staff and the kindest group of seniors, you'll find it a new home away from home.

The Senior Center is located in Frisco Square at Meath Street and Dallas North Parkway. For information, call 972-335-5515. Visit www.frisco-fun.org for a list of activities.

Third Annual Table Tennis Tournament

Tuesday, November 14
9 a.m. – Noon
Entry Fee: \$2

Pick up a paddle and sharpen your skills for the Annual Table Tennis Tournament. The deadline to register is Nov. 10. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place winners.

Breakfast with Friends

Friday, November 17
9 – 10:30 a.m.
Cost: \$3

Before the holidays, feast with your friends at the Center with a traditional home-cooked breakfast. Bacon, eggs, pancakes, biscuits and juice will be served. Proceeds from the event benefit the Senior Advisory Council. Sign up by Nov. 15.

Bingo Prize and Lunch

Tuesday, November 21
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Enjoy the fun, prizes and lunch. Sign up by Nov. 17. The Roughrider's Scott Garner and beloved mascot Duce will be on hand to entertain.

Centenials Checkups

Wednesday, November 22
9 – 11 a.m.

Centennial Medical Center will offer free blood pressure, blood sugar, and cholesterol screenings to all participants. Dr. Lucy Li of Frisco Dermatology will conduct skin cancer screenings

and to answer questions. **You Can Paint Workshop**

Friday, 11/17
10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Fee: \$30

Instructor: Susan Rogers
Minimum: 6 registered students
Even beginners will be amazed at the finished oil painting with their very first lesson under the guidance of a professional artist. Susan Rogers of the Robert Garden School of Art will provide all art supplies and instruction in this inspiring and fun class. This month's piece of art is entitled "Fall Foliage and a Covered Bridge."

Tai Chi for Arthritis

Wednesdays, 11/1 – 11/29
12:15 – 1:15 p.m.
Fee: \$60 for a 10-class card
\$7 per class (walk-ins)
Instructor: Chris Bouguyon

This course has become very popular at Senior Centers throughout the Metroplex. The Senior Instructor in Texas, Chris Bouguyon of SimplyAware, teaches the Frisco program. Classes begin with a series of Qi Gong warm-up exercises. During the second part of the class, students move through the form as a group with movements broken down into "bite-sized" pieces making them easier to learn. Wear comfortable clothes and flat-soled shoes.

Crochet Patterns That Will Keep You in Stitches

Wednesdays, 11/1, 11/8, 11/15 & 11/29
10 a.m. – Noon
Fee: \$30

Instructor: Sharon Robbins
Learn the basic stitches of crochet such as slip stitch, single, double, triple and half double crochet. Learn how to combine them into basic patterns such as seed stitch, ripple, shell stitch and classic ripple. Also learn ways to join crocheted sections and a few different edgings to finish off the piece. Supplies to bring include: leftover yarn, a favorite crochet hook (size G is good for beginners) and a small pair of scissors. If you do not have yarn, you may use some that has been previously donated to the Center.

Stay warm this winter with Frisco's Frosty 5K, 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk, a new event sponsored by the Parks & Recreation Department.
Join Frosty and friends for this inaugural event on Dec. 9 at 8 a.m. The run begins and ends at the George A. Purdy Municipal Center, 6101 Frisco Square Blvd.
"This event was created to showcase assets of the city,

including the George A. Purdy Municipal Center and Frisco Square," said Patton Gleason, Recreation Programmer. "The Parks & Recreation Department is always looking for opportunities to promote wellness and the Frosty 5K, 1 mile run/walk is a great example."

Registration is also available on race day. Those who register before Nov. 24 will receive a t-shirt.
Proceeds from the event will benefit Frisco Family Services. The race will not be rescheduled if cancelled due to rain, but the registration fee will still benefit Frisco Family Services.
For more information call 912-335-5517.

For more information go to www.friscofun.org or call our Alumni Hall registration office at 972-371-1152.

Adult & Children Activities

Beginners Yoga

With the holidays around the corner, there may be no better time to find your inner Zen. If you have always wanted to try yoga, we have the class for you. This class is designed to improve your strength, flexibility and endurance. This class meets on Tuesdays at 8 p.m.

AbraKadoodle Youth Art Classes

AbraKadoodle takes an enlight-

ened perspective to expanding children's creativity and their knowledge of the world of art. This class is a comprehensive introduction to art for kids between the ages of 20 months to 5 years old.

Holiday Dining Etiquette for Kids

Boost your skills just in time for the holidays! Kids will have fun learning dining skills and holiday manners. Topics will include dining conversations, gift ideas for the host and more.

Early Childhood Music Classes

The Music Conservatory of Texas is offering an exceptional music class for our youngest citizens. This class is a specially designed curriculum for children and parents to enjoy together. Class time will include songs, chants, singing games, dancing and rocking songs, rhythm instrument playing, short listening exercises, and movement activities. Classes for Kids between the ages of 18 months to 3-and-a-half years old.

American Red Cross Courses

All classes located at Alumni Hall Fitness Center located at 9700 Wade Blvd.

Water Safety Instructor (WSI) Course

The purpose of the American Red Cross Water Safety Instructor course is to train instructor candidates to teach Swimming and Water Safety Program Courses. These include Basic Water Rescue, six levels of Learn to Swim, and Parent and Child Aquatics.

2010: 11, MW/F/Sa, 11/27 – 12/8
Fee: \$175

Times: MW/F classes meet from 5:30 – 9:30 p.m. Saturday classes meet from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Ages: 16 years old and above

Lifeguard Training Course

Teaches candidates the skills and knowledge needed to prevent and respond to aquatic emergencies. Course content and activities prepare candidates to recognize and respond quickly and effectively to emergencies, and prevent drowning and injuries. Certifications issued: Lifeguard Training and First Aid, CPR for the Professional Rescuer.

2009: 31, MW/F/Sa, 12/08 – 12/20
Fee: \$175

Times: MW/F classes meet from 5:00 – 9:00 Saturday classes meet from 9:00am – 3:00pm
Ages: 16 years old and above

FriscO Storytelling Festival

The 2006 Frisco Storytelling Festival was a great success due in large part to our generous sponsors. We extend a heartfelt thank you to the organizations listed below. Thank you for "becoming part of the story!"

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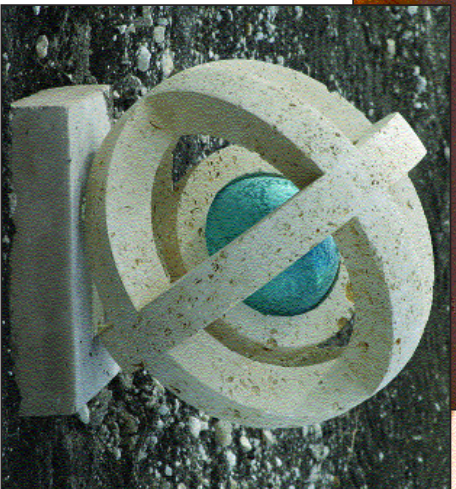
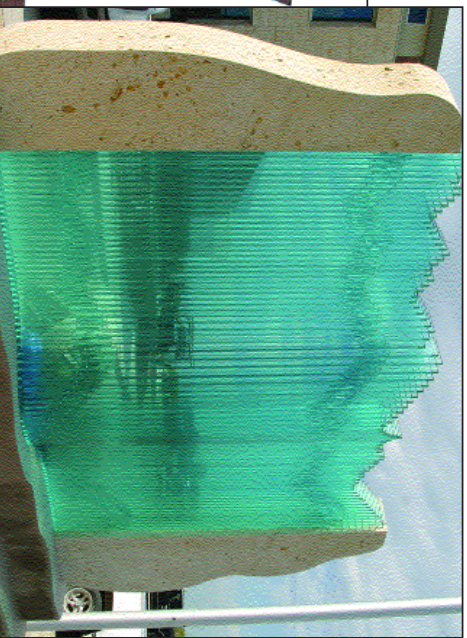
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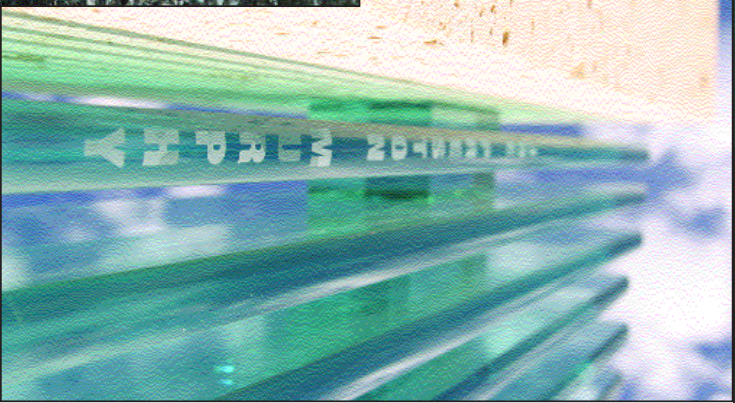
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(Right) This unique glass and limestone structure sits in front of the new Police Station. It is the first among many unique pieces in and around the station. Art by Damian Priour.

(Below) The badge of the Frisco Police Department is the central point of the station



(Left) More one-of-a-kind art
Art by Damian Priour



(Above) A unique piece of art dedicated to Officer Joe Preston Murphy who died in the line of duty in 1986. Art by Damian Priour